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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA

REF: STATE 18228

1. I SAW FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA AT 4:30 PM (2:30 PM WASHINGTON TIME). HE STATED THAT HE WAS VERY PLEASED BY THE CORDIAL LETTER, INDICATING THE HE HAD BEEN HOPING FOR JUST A COMMUNICATION. HE SAID THAT, IN HIS REPLY, WHICH HE WOULD BE SENDING VERY PROMPTLY, HE WOULD, OF COURSE, RECIPROCATATE WARMLY YOUR STATEMENTS.

2. WHEN I BEGAN TO READ, FROM NOTES, THE ORAL MESSAGE IN PARA 2 OF REFTTEL, SILVEIRA, AFTER GETTING A NO-OBJECTION FROM ME, SUMMONED A SENIOR SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO TAKE NOTES. DURING MY PRESENTATION, WHICH COVERED ALL THE POINTS, SILVEIRA AND THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT ASKED ME TO GO OVER SEVERAL POINTS AGAIN. I AM SATISFIED THAT, BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM, THE MESSAGE WAS CLEARLY AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD.

3. SILVEIRA MADE NO COMMENT ON THE SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS ON THE NUCLEAR QUESTIONS, EXCEPT TO SAY, AS I EXPECTED, CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT HE WOULD CONSULT AND WOULD BE BACK TO ME. HIS ATTITUDE DURING MY PRESENTATION OF THE NUCLEAR ASPECTS WAS ONE OF VERY CAREFUL ATTENTION AND THOUGHTFULNESS. I DETECTED NO VISIBLE NEGATIVE REACTIONS.

4. HE DID RESPOND POSITIVELY, EVEN ENTHUSIASTICALLY, TO THE NEXT-TO -LAST POINT OF PARA 2 AND TO THE CORRESPONDING

REFERENCE IN THE LETTER CONCERNING CONSULTATIONS ON THE FULL RANGE OF ISSUES IN THE RELATIONSHIP. HE SAID THAT, AS I KNEW HE WAS IN FULL AGREEMENT ABOUT THE NECESSITY TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS BETWEEN US FRANKLY. HE ADDED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES NOT APPEAR TO BE DEALING WITH ONE ANOTHER THROUGH THE PRESS. AT THAT JUNCTURE, I MADE THE POINT THAT, FOR OUR PART, WE DID NOT INTEND TO CONSULT THROUGH THE PRESS. (I HAD NOT INCLUDED THAT COMMENT IN MY PRESENTATION BECAUSE, KNOWING SILVEIRA, I WAS AFRAID THAT HE WOULD SEIZE UPON IT AS AN APOLOGY. FOR THE SAME REASON, I CHANGED THE BEGINNING OF THE THIRD POINT IN PARA2 TO : "IN ORDER TO PROVIDE.")

5. CONCERNING PRESS TREATMENT, SILVEIRA WAS QUITE OBVIOUSLY PLEASED THAT HE COULD SAY SOMETHING PUBLICITY ABOUT THE LETTER. HE ACCEPTED READILY YOUR DESIRE ABOUT THE LIMITED TREATMENT TO BE GIVEN THE NUCLEAR ISSUE, COMMENTING THAT THAT QUESTION WAS THE ONLY ONE THE PRESS WOULD ASK ABOUT IN CONNECTION WITH MY CALL. WE AGREED THAT I WOULD REFER ANY PRESS INQUIRIES TO HIM.

6. COMMENT: RECONIZING THAT WE ARE AT ONLY THE BEGINNING OF A VERY DIFFICULT PORCESS, I BELIEVE THAT THE LETTER AND THE ORAL MESSAGE ARE EXCELLENT IN TERMS OF THE STYLE AND TONE OF OUR RELATIONS. IN THAT SENSE, WE HAVE RECOVERED, I THINK, A GOOD DEAL OF GROUND. AT THE SAME TIME, THE ORAL MESSAGE IS CLEAR AND FORTRIGHT ABOUT THE US POSITION ON THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE OF PROLIFERATION. IN SHORT, THE COMMUNICATIONS WERE WELL BALANCED, AND I AM CONFIDENTIAL

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GRATEFUL FOR THEM -- AND FOR THEIR PROMPTNESS.  
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